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April 25th, 1918

Principal Hutton,

University College, Toronto.

Dear Principal Hutton:

I understand that a notice has been inserted in the Calgary newspapers to the effect that the British and Canadian Red Cross Societies supply all that is necessary for helping the Prisoners of War of the Allied Countries. As Honorary President of the Serbian Relief Fund I wish to say that such a notice seems to me to be likely to interfere with the relief that we may get from the Province of Alberta, because as I understand the situation there is no definite relief received from the Canadian or British Red Cross for Serbian Prisoners of War. Unless a direct contribution is made specifically for Prisoners of the Allied Nations we shall run the risk of receiving nothing. I believe that in order to protect ourselves we should ask the Red Cross to have this announcement corrected.

Yours sincerely,

President.

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June 4th, 1918

Principal Hutton,

Kirkfield, Ont.

Dear Principal Hutton:

Professor Soucie is making preparations for the next issue of the Alumni Monthly and wishes to have a good deal in it about the appointment of Archdeacon Cody as the new Minister of Education. I suggested to him that you could write as to his college career better than any one else, and he asked me whether I could endeavour to secure from you an article of two or three pages in length.

Yours sincerely,

President.

June 8th, 1918

Principal Hutton,

Kirkfield Inn, Kirkfield, Ont.

My dear Principal Hutton:

I am afraid that it will get us into trouble if we offer Hardy more than one thousand dollars for Latin as he is such a recent graduate. For instance Craigie in Biology is only getting one thousand in his second year. We have not started any one at twelve hundred who has not done graduate work. Would you mind trying him at one thousand on full time ?

I am very busy this morning and am not able to write at greater length. I expect to be here on Wednesday and Thursday of next week and to be back again on the 20th for two days so I shall see you. With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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My dear President, It is as well that Fletcher should have escaped a longer + more painful break up.
I am worried over the Glover question again. Cappon reports on the evidence of Gordon that he has become an advanced + fanatic Pacifist — (or Pacificist as Cappon calls it) + is cramming it down people's throats like Lowes Dickinson + that small set

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of Cambridge men who run a journal
& are damaging the good name of the
Univ[y]. It is a sign of bad judgment-
want of balance which is serious. Perhaps
you can find out from Gordon what the
facts really are? Laing is probably re-
turning to Queens at once & therefore he
can not take any vacant woodhead
from Edmonton we could get him but
not of course on Fletcher's plan

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ang as an assistant, to be transferred later
to Greek, when funds permit our lectureship
to be restored: or to remain as an assistant
in Latin, if required. I have no doubt
from Dorr's judgment that we should be
getting a first-rate young fellow but it
leaves the question of a real successor
to Fletcher still open unsettled.: Cappon's
omission on report turns my thoughts back to
Fairclough. Let? I offer you as well as Dorr's

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a with kisses. My wife & children send
are very comfortable & have charming
weather. Kind regards to Lady
Jakeman

Yrs
Goldwin Smith

I expect we shall have to wait for the result of adver-
tisements in the Athenaeum Academy Spectator
& Nation. They wld draw into the field the talent
available.

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Dear President

Our letters crossed. By all means consult Sadler & you might mention & name Livingstone of Corpus & Fyffe & Merton (a brother of Hamilton Fyffe) & Glover. He probably knows Glover's whereabouts at present. Also I suggest that you point out from Gordon the facts about Glover's recent Pacifist outbreak: which he seems to have communicated to Capper.

I would like Wyet-Woodhead into the Classical department on the strength of Tory's emphatic approval

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of him & Fairley's warm recommendations. But of course that is another matter: this filling up a junior position, Dale's (if Johnston's is regarded as now filled by Dale) for which Cochrane will ultimately be available we hope. If Cochrane shld return & take it - then Woodhead would either be superfluous in the Latin dept; (after the appointment of a Professor I mean) or would fill the long vacant place in Greek for which he is apparently so well fitted. At present he is working at Chicago waiting to hear if Queens wants him: Queens is waiting

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to hear if Laing (the wounded man at the front) is to be discharged & allowed to return to civilian life.

All our plans for next session, September I mean, are hinging on the problematic absence of 4th yr honour students in Classics: I am undertaking some of Mr Fisher's work on that hypothesis: should any 4th yr people turn up [I have already chosen if one MA applicant & arranged that he take 3rd yr work with Carruthers] we shall be in a quandary,

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shall need Woodhead to actually cover the ~~work~~ lectures required in Latin prescribed by Fletcher. Dale is taking all he can possibly manage more than all he ought of Johnston's work. It is the apparent chance of getting Woodhead which has put this suggestion into my head. Till I heard from Capper that My had not secured him, I was content to go ahead on the chance that no one would want my (multiply lectures that) could take instead several second year lectures ~~work~~: which I am reading here: (when duty permits)

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Ruth knows the Haverfields well & I am trying through her to get his opinion: She generally stays a week end at some time or other with them.

Yours
Emmie Hutton

I am assuming you will have noticed that gradually Brown will be well enough to do so much for Mother that he will only need Cochrane to complete his dept & that Dale will be entirely available. Later would drop out of ancient history: if this

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be not so. Of course the case for getting wood-head is much stronger.

When we were searching Oxford before we took Dale we heard a great-deal of Maclean (whom we now have) and of a certain Paton: I wonder whether Sadler can tell you about him: also Ferguson (of Queens) used to speak most-warmly of one Newman of University College Oxford: but I could not get in touch with him these are the only other two names that occur to me.

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Dear President

I have written to Woodhead: please note the passage re salary that I may not commit you in respect to anything

"as to salary I do not know what you are receiving at Edmonton but our position certainly has not the attractiveness of Queens on that point: as the senior position on the Latin staff it probably will not be worth more than 1500 (fifteen hundred) all our positions are for the year only in the first instance: but they can be continued.

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and, as I have explained, this lectureship ought through an anomaly in history, when the staff shall be complete is vacant in Greek. The idea has been to make them junior positions of short tenure: that men may not grow old in such salaries nor yet compel increases per misericordiam: but the rule is only of general validity & a man who proved invaluable would remain up to the limit of the lecturer's salary & then be an assistant professorship: I should be glad to hear whether we have a chance of taking you on our staff" etc

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I hope that is all right.
As to Lowes I feel inclined to write to Jacks or
to the Union Seminary New York to clear up this
vague rumour one way or the other: it is unpleas-
ant to have to attach importance to it at present, yet
on the other hand I should personally hate to ap-
point one of the Lowes Dickinson school to anything
for the moment at least it would injure the
college other departments with the public more than
students: at least with the best of them: would
only please Bourassa lower malcontent & mischief

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makes.
On second thoughts, perhaps I had better wait - Osler comes on in October when he comes to us: nothing will be gained then than to find out - what he knows — who seems to know almost well — of this fads & eccentricities.
Haverfield was not encouraging: did not seem to think we cld tempt a good man from Oxford: I don't know why: I think that after the war there may be almost a stampede from Oxford & considerable depression in Oxford it cannot rival Manchester or Birmingham as a school for commerce science & the class that suffers it will surely be impoverished.

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I am interested in what you say of Auden: I divined an approach to you on his behalf. But Auden is too proud & too much a gentleman to use his friendship with me to take any steps with me: I am very sorry for him & do not altogether acquit Parkin this time. Auden is as good a Scholar as we shall get & better: but he has not the stuff of attraction after all those years of administration what Capp calls his "internal life has necessarily suffered: it does not matter that Grant (says Capp) he never had any!!

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than always cultivated "the whole clerkly mind". These are the amenities of colleague for colleague. Apart from the injustice to Anderson I think Grant's a fair appointment — while his wife is excellent. Kind regards to Lady Adams

Yours

Maurice Hutton

Leith Wells P Q
August 5th

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Dear President, I enclose letter from Woodhead which I have answered & right letter as follows

ask Shorey to wait a few days: it is not merely that any the President can give you adequate assurances but also that the Queens offer may still be made to you: dont move your furniture either to Chicago or Toronto just at present. I am in touch with Queens. ~~Dont move your furniture either to Toronto or Chicago at present~~

The latter part means this: Laing is not returning to Queens Gordon wants to cut out the Queens post-graduate without further help: Capron objects & wants us

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apptment made & will recommend Woodhead.
We can appoint him, if you agree, but perhaps you
will not want to hold him to it, if Capron can-
-cels the Day at Queens: I am in touch of course
with Capron & shall get word from him directly
Woodhead gets his offer from Queens. Therefore
I suggest you write and give him what assurance
you think best and tell him you will not consider
him bound down as long as Queens has not decided
provided always he [illegible] soon in the
the can offering (as I understand) 2500, as they gave Dale
that sum. Please let me hear what you say to him

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I consider Shorey's offer though probably a small thing an additional testimonial to Woodhead's capacity. I am assuming also that he is leaving Edmonton because Dorey cannot keep up the staff under present straits + for no other reason. He is not the man to recommend Woodhead ~~the man~~ to Queens as warmly as he did with any other thought or any arrière pensée I judge: & the wish you feel the same confidence in Dorey: but you must please satisfy yourself on that head: before committing ourselves to Woodhead in the terms of this letter. It is annoying having to wait for Queens but what else can we do in fairness to Woodhead? Yrs Maurice Hutton

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P. S. I think the UCC governors have behaved very shabbily to Auden: he is not a taking rather active man & boys & presumably not loving men either & therefore — apart from his long immersion in serving tables — not quite the man for Fletcher's successor: but after giving them the best years of his life & working faithfully & pulling up at least the scholarship if not the numbers of UCC, the least they could have ~~given him~~ required is say seven years salary or in lieu of it a small pension: London's treatment of our board on similar grounds was very different. They give him one years salary!!! & practically sack him. Even if some unforeseen death take place a private school in Canada will think many times before giving him a headship now.

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Dear President-

Two letters from Woodhead: of no particular consequence now that you have written to him. There seems to have been need to keep him. I can now write to him about his work for next term. This is very bad news you send me of Ellis: & his sister in law Mrs Spencer has gone away & I can not hear from her as I did at first.

As for Woodhead's non-enlistment- I never heard explanation. I presume his marriage is the chief explanation: as I fancy it is with Dale ultimately: though his father's death & the condition of the property was a contributory cause.

Yours
Maurice Hutton

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Dear President

I heard from Mrs Fletcher this morning
from Ormsby: she asks if she ought to move in the
Carnegie matter? I said yes that you & the Bursar
would settle it for her. I trust there is no difficulty.
It occurs to me that under the present terms they
can object that Fletcher was only 22 years on Professor
with us: but surely Queens service is good under
the circumstances, that Queens is practically counted
in & has several men on the Board, Ferguson & Fowler
& some man in Physics as well as — until lately — Dupuis
in Mathematics? Perhaps you can reassure her. I have
written to Woodhead about his work. Yrs sincerely Hutton